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Coastal Impressions: A photographic Journey along Alaska's Arctic Coast

What happens when you send scientists from federal agencies and partners to map and image habitat along the entire coastline of Alaska by air? The answer is an interactive online tool with numerous real-life applications

(<http://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/shorezone/default.htm>).

What you might not expect...is art.

An interesting display of art and science will be on display January 20-25 at the Captain Cook Hotel in Anchorage, Alaska, as part of the Alaska Marine Science Symposium. The exhibit—*Coastal Impressions: A photographic Journey along Alaska's Arctic Coast*—features dozens of spectacular photos from the Arctic leg of the Alaska ShoreZone Mapping Program, taken along 10,000 km (6,000 mi) of shoreline in 2012 and 2013. It includes vivid, large format, aerial images of the beautiful landscape spanning from the Beaufort Sea all the way south to St. Lawrence Island in the Bering Sea.



This Alaska ShoreZone Mapping Program image taken along the Chukchi Sea shoreline is part of the *Coastal Impressions* exhibit on display during the Alaska Marine Science

Many of the images were selected for their artistic composition – sculpted shapes, mosaics of colors or juxtaposition of odd features. They also provide insight into how coastal landforms develop and the significance of these features within the broader Arctic ecosystem. Each image has a story to tell and interpretive materials will accompany the collection.

This collection will leave you with unforgettable impressions about the stunning beauty of Alaska's dynamic and changing Arctic Coast.

Coastal Impressions will be on display in the Adventure Room at the Hotel Captain Cook beginning Monday, January 20, 1-5 p.m., and will be available for viewing Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. There is no cost to view the exhibit, but full attendance to the Alaska Marine Science Symposium requires registration and fee (<http://www.alaskamarinescience.org/>). The Nature Conservancy will provide complimentary coffee and tea.

The exhibit is sponsored by Bureau of Ocean Energy and Management (BOEM), National Park Service (NPS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and Arctic Landscape Conservation Cooperative (ALCC), and developed in partnership with NOAA Fisheries Auke Bay Laboratories, Cook Inlet Regional Citizens Advisory Council, and Coastal and Ocean Resources, Inc.

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